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Frederick County Firefighter Dies in the Line of Duty While Volunteering for his Hometown of New Tripoli, PA

(Frederick, December 7, 2022) – It is with profound sadness that The Frederick County Division of Fire and Rescue Services (FCDFRS) announces the death of Firefighter, Zachary Paris. Firefighter Paris died last night from injuries sustained while operating with his volunteer company on a 3-alarm house fire in West Penn Township, PA. “There are no words to describe the sadness myself and the members of Frederick County Division of Fire and Rescue Services are feeling today. Not only was Zach someone who was living out his dream of becoming a career firefighter, but he was also living out his dream as a family man”, said Fire Chief Tom Coe. “We often take for granted that firefighters not only serve members of the community where they work, but many also selflessly contribute to the communities where they live.”

“Losing another one of our brothers, especially this time of year, is heartbreaking”, said International Association of Firefighters Local 3666 President Stephen Jones. “We stand ready to support his wife and children during this tragic time.”

Firefighter Zachary Paris, 36, of New Tripoli, Pennsylvania joined the Frederick County Fire and Rescue family on February 28, 2022 as part of Recruit Class 32. He graduated from the fire academy on September 10, 2022 and was assigned to the Green Valley Fire Station as a member of C Shift. He is survived by his wife, two daughters, sister, and parents. FCDFRS asks that you please respect the privacy of the Paris family during this difficult time. Funeral arrangements will be released as soon as they become available.

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